Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

15. (Currently Amended)   A method for recording a digital video image comprising:

capturing a video image on a video-capture device;

compressing the digital video image to create a compressed image file;

transmitting the compressed image file over a wireless transmission channel using a real-time control protocol; ~~and~~

retransmitting the compressed image file over a packet network to a security office, wherein the security office uses the digital video image to determine if assistance should be sent to a location of the capturing of the video image; and

transmitting a deactivation code and a passcode with the compressed image file, wherein the deactivation code comprises an instruction to the security office receiving the digital video image to end a current recording of the digital video image, wherein, in response to receiving the deactivation code, the passcode instructs the security office to delete the recorded digital video image if the passcode is determined to be valid, and wherein if the passcode is determined to be invalid, the digital video image is retained by the security office.

16. (Previously Presented)   The method of claim 15, wherein the video-capture device comprises a cellphone.

17. (Previously Presented)   The method of claim 15, wherein the video-capture device comprises a personal digital assistant.

18. (Previously Presented)   The method of claim 15, wherein the video-capture device comprises:

a video camera; and

a wireless modem.

19. (Previously Presented)   The method of claim 15, wherein the transmission channel comprises a long-range transmission channel.

20. (Previously Presented)   The method of claim 15, further comprising:
    determining an origin of the digital video image; and
    transmitting the origin with the compressed image file.

21. (Previously Presented)   The method of claim 20, wherein the determining comprises determining the origin using a GPS receiver.

22. (Previously Presented)   The method of claim 20, wherein the determining comprises determining the origin using a cell identifier in a cellular network.

23. (Previously Presented)   The method of claim 20, wherein the determining comprises determining the origin using an E-911 service.

24. (Previously Presented)   The method of claim 15, further comprising receiving the compressed image file in a secure remote location.

25. (Currently Amended)   A method for recording a digital video image comprising:
    capturing a video image on a video-capture device;
    integrating the captured video with audio and data;
    compressing the integrated video image using a Moving Picture Experts Group (MPEG)-4 compression format to create a compressed image file;
    transmitting the compressed image file over a wireless transmission channel;
    retransmitting the compressed image file over a packet network to a security office[[;]], wherein receiving the compressed image file is received in the security office, wherein the security office uses the digital video image to determine if assistance should be sent to a location of the capturing of the video image; and
        transmitting a deactivation code and a passcode with the compressed image file,

wherein the deactivation code comprises an instruction to the security office receiving the digital video image to end a current recording of the digital video image, wherein, in response to receiving the deactivation code, the passcode instructs the security office to delete the recorded digital video image if the passcode is determined to be valid, and wherein if the passcode is determined to be invalid, the digital video image is retained by the security office.

26. (Previously Presented)   The method of claim 25, further comprising viewing the compressed image file.

27. (Previously Presented)   The method of claim 25, further comprising storing the compressed image file.

28. (Previously Presented)   The method of claim 25, further forwarding the compressed image file.

29. (Previously Presented)   The method of claim 25, further comprising notifying a governmental agency.

30. (Currently Amended)   A method for recording a digital video image comprising:

    capturing a video image on a video-capture device;
    integrating the captured video with audio and data;
    compressing the integrated video image using a Moving Picture Experts Group (MPEG)-4 compression format to create a compressed image file;
    transmitting the compressed image file over a wireless transmission channel using a real-time control protocol;
    retransmitting the compressed image file over a packet network to a security office, wherein the security office uses the digital video image to determine if assistance should be sent to a location of the capturing of the video image by determining an identity of a user associated with the digital video image; and

    transmitting the identity with the compressed image file; and
    transmitting a deactivation code and a passcode with the compressed image file,

wherein the deactivation code comprises an instruction to the security office receiving the digital video image to end a current recording of the digital video image, wherein, in response to receiving the deactivation code, the passcode instructs the security office to delete the recorded digital video image if the passcode is determined to be valid, and wherein if the passcode is determined to be invalid, the digital video image is retained by the security office.

31. (Previously Presented)   The method of claim 30 wherein the determining comprises receiving a user identification number.

32. (Previously Presented)   The method of claim 30, wherein the determining comprises using authentication.

33. (Previously Presented)   The method of claim 30, wherein the associating comprises searching a user-profile database.

34. (Previously Presented)   The method of claim 33, wherein the user-profile database comprises a telephone service provider's subscriber database.

35. (Previously Presented)   The method of claim 15, further comprising billing for provision of the service.

36. (Previously Presented)   The method of claim 25 further comprising decompressing the compressed image using an MPEG-4 coder/decoder (CODEC).